

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

Illustrations of birds first appeared on the front cover of *The Wilson Bulletin* in 1902. Nine species of birds were incorporated into the cover design of the first number of that volume, and they were used on each issue until 1908, when a drawing of Wilson's Warbler replaced them. This new design remained unchanged until 1916, when Wilson's Phalarope replaced the warbler in a newer design. Ten years later a different drawing of Wilson's Warbler appeared on the cover and was used continuously, except on the Fiftieth Anniversary Volume in 1938 when no drawing was used, until the present volume—the Seventy-fifth Anniversary Volume. George Miksch Sutton made the drawing of the Wilson's Warbler that was used from 1926 through 1962, and he made the new one appearing for the first time on this March 1963 number.

We are indeed grateful to Dr. Sutton for our new cover design and for his other kind and generous contributions, including the frontispiece and prefatory remarks pertinent to the first number of our anniversary volume.

The South African Ornithological Society is planning the Second Pan-African Ornithological Congress from 21 to 25 September 1964. The Congress will be held at Pietermaritzburg, Natal, and will be preceded and succeeded by field trips. For further information, address the Society at the Percy FitzPatrick Institute, University of Cape Town, Rondebosch, C.P., South Africa.

The National Science Foundation announces that the next closing date for receipt of proposals for Basic Research in the Life Sciences is 15 May 1963. Inquiries or proposals requesting support should be addressed to the National Science Foundation, Washington 25, D.C.

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The next Congress will be held in Great Britain in 1966, with Dr. David Lack as President. Dr. N. Tinbergen has been elected Secretary-General and, after full consideration of various possibilities, it has been decided to hold the Congress in Oxford. One excursion is planned—a week's cruise of Scottish sea-bird islands in a ship of sufficient size to accommodate most members of the Congress. The provisional dates are: 16–23 July for the cruise, and 24–30 July for the meeting in Oxford.

Mr. John K. Terres is writing an "Encyclopedia of American Birds" and is including biographical sketches of ornithologists of the past who have made significant contributions to American ornithology. If anyone owning separates of biographies that have been published anywhere will send a copy of each to him at P. O. Box 571, Chapel Hill, N.C., he will be very grateful and will make proper acknowledgment for such help in his book.